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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)	
EFFICIENTLY PASSING THE SILENT)	
OR UNUSED STATUS OF A DS0)	
CHANNEL THROUGH A DS0)	
SWITCH MATRIX AND A DATA)	
SWITCH)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

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